TO

EMIGRANTS AND NATIVES

IN SEARCH OF

LANDS

FOR SETTLEMENT.

THE BRITISH AMERICAN LAND COMPANY, incorporated by Royal Charter, and Act of Parliament, offer for sale, a number of FARMS, partly cleared and cultivated, and ready for immediate occupation. TOWN LOTS, and MILL SITES, and seven hundred thousand acres of WILD LAND, in portions of any extent from fifty acres, upwards. These properties are situated in the District of Saint Francis, in the Eastern Townships on the SOUTH SIDE OF CANADA, one of the most beautiful, fertile, healthy portions of British America. They are held under the Soccage Tenure, direct from the Crown, and free of all Feudal burden whatsoever.

These Townships are centrally situated at a distanceof from Fifty to Eighty miles, from Quebec and Montreal. They are well watered every where, possessed of excellent roads, and diversified with pretty lakes and fishy streams and rivers. The soil is equal in fertility to that of any part of the Continent, the appearance of the Country is highly picturesque, and the climate is eminently salubrious. There are Saw and Grist Mills, Mechanic's Shops, Smiths, Foundry, Woolen Manutory, Acadamies, Schools, Churches of all denominations, and a College is being built. Every description of Grain and Root Crops cultivated in Great Britain is found to succeed well in this district, and Corn, Cattle, Horses, Sheep and Pigs, are raised with great advantage, as articles of export to the neighbouring sea port Towns.

The Company sell their lands at very reasonable prices, and on an indulgent credit, six years being allowed to pay up the annual instalments. To such persons as can prepay thirty dollars, the first instalment of a lot or farm of 100 acres, they grant A FREE TRANSPORT for their FAMILIES and LUGGAGE not (exceeding 8 cwt.,) from MONTREAL, QUEBEC, or the ST. LAWRENCE to SHERBROOKE; and, if on arrival there, they think they can do better than purchase from the Company, they will return them the money, retaining only the proportion of it actually expended on themselves. To such persons of respectable character as have come out under the present depression and have no money, they grant permission on credit to settle on new land, and to form at once an independent family bome, in which case NO MONEY IS REQUIRED DOWN; they sell most excellent settling land at about ten shillings per acre, and when the price is paid, they give at the Company's expense, a warranted freehold Title, which, when enregistered, becomes the most free and sure holding under the Crown.

There is, generally, a fair demand for hired labour in these Townships, at good wages both for men and women, the Gosford road affords present employment for destitute emigrants; and parents blessed with large families, can generally subsist themselves and half their children by the hire of the other half, during the first winter, while they are clearing and preparing for crop, the lot which they may have selected, from the Company on Credit, as their future family home.

The Company's property is accessible by the roads from Quebec, Montreal and Sorel, but the route most easily travelled at present is that from Port Saint Francis through Drummondville to Melbourne and Sherbrooke, &c. The stage fare is about 3d. per mile, and the cartage of furniture is 3s. 9d. per cwt. to Sherbrooke or nearly a half-penny per mile for each cwt. The Company have Agents in the several sections of the District itself, as well as at the ports of landing, for the convenient local sale of land, and for the advice, protection, and encouragement of their settlers. Further particulars may be learned on application at the Company's head office in Sherbrooke, or to the Company's Agents, Mr. C. M. Hyndman, Quebec; Mr. James Court, Commissioner Street, Montreal; Mr. Hayden, Sorel; Mr. Smith Leith, Port St. Francis; Mr. G. L. Marler, Nicolet and Drummondville; Mr. Tait, Melbourne; Mr. Wood, Shefford; Mr. Lyman, Granby; Mr. Foss, Eaton; and Mr. Hubbard, Stanstead.

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